

Historical Advisory Committee (HAC)
Meeting Minutes March 9 2016
Meeting held at the Mid County Regional Library.

Committee Members

Sue Blackwell (62/84)
Emma-Lou Craig (13/17)
Michael Haymans (35/67)
Carol Leonard (9/13)
Dianne Munson (16/26)
Gene Murtha (7/12)
Larry Peck (19/26)
Scot Shively (76/81)
Pat Spence (6/9)

Present

Emma-Lou Craig
Carol Leonard
Dianne Munson
Gene Murtha
Scot Shively
Pat Spence

Not Present

Sue Blackwell
Michael Haymans
Larry Peck

BOCC Liaison:

Stephen R. Deutsch

Guests

Staff

Maryanne Sharkey, Community Services
Lanette Hart, Manager, Library & History

9:02 a.m. Call to Order, Roll Call – The February meeting minutes were read, motion to approve by Dianne Munson and second by Emma-Lou Craig. Motion carried to approve.

Old Business:

Carol Leonard gave an update on the outcome of the fundraiser that took place on February 19. Dollars raised were for the Friends of the Archives, Mangrove chapter of the Native Plant Society, Lemon Bay Women's Club. Also have \$185 to go towards the Historical sign fund for markers.

Discussion occurred on how to publicize the next fundraiser.

The siding from the Knight House can be used for the Old Cigar House because it is an appropriate fit for it. Once it is looked at, sized and make sure it is usable, then we can coordinate to have the siding removed along with exhibit cabinets before the demolition.

Discussion was made on the use of the land after the demotion of the Knight House is complete to do a letter of support for the Peace River Wildlife to utilize the land. Motion was made by Carol Leonard for the Peace River Wildlife to use the land and second by Dianne Munson. Motion was made by Scot Shively to do a letter of support will be sent to the Board of County Commissioners, motioned carried.

New Business:

Jackie Brown has resigned and the position will be posted for new Historian.

Historical Development/Reviews:

No new applications. Scot explained the Florida Master Site file only identifies sites that are 50 years and older. Any citizen can fill out an application. Scot will discuss at a future meeting about this.

Archives & Collections:

Object collections accession/reorganization is on-going at Grace St. and the Englewood Charlotte Archives.

Discussion was made on different cataloging software.

Historical Markers:

PGAAF marker with PGAA signage—still waiting on PGAA.

McCall marker has been received; need to identify precisely where the marker is going to be placed and then we can schedule the dedication.

Gilchrest mini marker will be placed on his plot.

Scot spoke about the QR codes on the back of the markers. Discussion was made on permanent or temporary ones. Scot will get information on changeable markers.

Hickory Bluff marker dedication went very well, there was approximately 50 people attended.

The suggested historical maker list was distributed and Scot explained the status of each.

Citizen Input:

The Friends of the Englewood Archive are campaigning to raise \$10,000 and they have less than \$4,000 to raise to date.

Member Input:

Gene would like to resurrect yearly Historical conference again in Charlotte County. Will have further discussion at the next meeting for dates and places. Scot will check out the Port Charlotte Beach Complex.

Members shared upcoming programs and events.

Adjournment –10:30 AM

Next HAC Meeting: - 9 A.M., Wednesday, May 11, 2016 to be held at Mid-County Regional Library, 2050 Forrest Nelson Blvd., Port Charlotte

cc:

Commissioner Ken Doherty

Commissioner Stephen R. Deutsch

Commissioner Bill Truex,

Commissioner Christopher Constance

Commissioner Tricia Duffy

Ray Sandrock, County Administrator

Kelly Shoemaker, Deputy County Administrator

Tommy Scott, Director, Community Svcs Dept.